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The circumstances surrounding the case of Mr. J. M. Vinkle are of deep interest to our readers, and our representative found him at his furniture store, No. 1115 W. Main Street, where he cheerfully gave the following account for publication:

"I have never," said Mr. Vinkle, "been without a pain in my back for the last twenty years. I do not know what caused it unless it was hard, constant work, which may have overtaxed me. At times I was worse than at others; for instance, in changeable weather I would suffer more keenly. If I lifted anything heavy or did any stooping work, I would go around like one with a broken back. During all this time I have been continually taking medicine of some kind. I have used all kinds of plasters and taken great quantities of Buchu, but nothing helped me. I do not believe that one thousand dollars would cover the expense which medicine and treatment has cost me. Some months ago I read about Doan's Kidney Pills, and although my faith in medicine was greatly shaken, I determined to try them, and procured a box at the drug store of Johnson & Henderson. I began taking them and felt better right away. I had a feeling of relief from my back that I had not known in many years, and I have suffered everything from it during that time. I have had a wide experience in taking medicine, and when I say that Doan's Kidney Pills is the best remedy known to me, I mean it. Think of it—through years of suffering, life had become a misery, and when I would sit down I could hardly get up. Doan's Kidney Pills have put me in a condition all my efforts and the other medicines I have taken failed to do. Have I not every reason to praise them?"

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## CHICAGOAN OWNS FAMOUS MINE.

It Furnished First Contribution to the Spanish Crown.

Charles W. Zarembo of Chicago says he is the owner of the old mine in Mexico from which Cortez received the first contributions of gold for the Spanish crown. Mr. Zarembo is the publisher of the International Messenger, a quarterly journal issued from Chicago and circulated in Mexico. It is printed in the Spanish language. Its publisher has been dividing his time between Chicago and Mexico for many years.

On his return from the last trip he brought samples of ore from what is called the Soledad vein, in the Buena Esperanza mine. "This mine," he said, "was abandoned because of the war of Mexican independence from 1811 to 1824, and it caved in about thirty years ago. Three Indians and a boy are now the only people working it. I own twenty-two and one-half acres on which the mine is located. It is near the city of Ameca, which has 15,000 inhabitants, and is the terminus of the Mexican Central railway."

## THE WORLD'S POPULATION.

It Could All Find Standing Room on One of England's Shires.

England today contains 30,000,000 people, but it has trebled its population in the course of a century, inasmuch as the population was 10,000,000 on the accession of the Hanoverian dynasty. At the time of the great revolution, in 1688, England contained 5,500,000, while London, now 5,500,000, contained only 500,000 inhabitants.

It further appears that the entire population of the country was under 1,000,000 when the "Domesday Book" was compiled shortly after the Norman conquest. Other nations are more or less amenable to the same principle of increase, and modern ideas of the vast populations of antiquity are far from being correct. In spite of the grossly exaggerated statistics of Josephus, the site of Jerusalem and the course of its ancient walls, which can easily be traced, prove that the Holy City could never have accommodated more than 100,000 people, while the outer walls of Rome, still standing, indicate that the ancient population of the Eternal City could not, even in its palmy days, have exceeded 1,000,000 people.

"Westward the star of civilization takes its course" is a truth confirmed by the history of the ancient world and set forth in the rise and fall of the successive empires of China, India, Assyria, Babylonia, Egypt, Greece and Rome. The westward trend of the Aryan families of Celts, Teutons and Slavs in prehistoric times points to an eastern origin of the primitive nations that gathered strength as they marched toward the lands of the setting sun, and it now appears highly probable that the bulk of the world's population had congregated around the blue waters of the Mediterranean when Greece and Rome were in the meridian of their power. The numerical strength of these nations was not great, and modern ideas of the vast population of the ancient world are more fanciful than real.

From the foregoing considerations it would appear that the regular home troops of the British army, numbering about 100,000 men, could find standing room on four acres of ground, a space equal to that of Trafalgar square, London, while the entire force of volunteers in this country, numbering about 250,000, could be accommodated in Lord's cricket ground.

The 5,500,000 people in London could easily stand in Regent's park, while the 40,000,000 of the United Kingdom could be packed together in a space within range of a cannon that can fire the distance of a mile.

The present population of the world could stand in Middlesex, while all who have ever lived since the Christian era could stand in Yorkshire, and all the inhabitants of the world, reckoning from the time of Adam to the present day, could, as far as area is concerned, have found ample standing room in England.—London Tit-Bits.

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## NEWS OF THE STATE.

TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS OF HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN.

Items Collected Out for the Benefit of Our Own Readers—News of the Past Few Days Which Will Be of General Interest to Michigan People.

Detroit, Feb. 14.—The suspension of W. J. Spiers, the well-known turfman, for alleged crooked work with his running horse Santello at the Ingleside track in California, is the second shock which this enterprising sport has given Detroit society. Mr. Spiers came to Detroit from St. Louis a few years ago, highly recommended as a preacher. He assumed the pastorate of the St. Joseph's Memorial church, and became the spiritual leader of families of wealth and position.

He was 30 years old, with an attractive face and suave manner, and immediately became popular. He drove fast horses, was a baseball enthusiast, and thoroughly enjoyed worldly pleasures. He remained here one year, then resigned, and went to New York. In a short time came the announcement that Mrs. Katherine Mahley, widow of C. R. Mahley, the wealthy Detroit clothing merchant, had become the wife of the ex-minister, the marriage occurring in New York, March 6, 1888. Mr. Spiers retired from the ministry and shortly after was divorced. Then Spiers drifted to the turf, and is now owner of a string of race horses, among them Santello, Major Domo and O'Connell.

## MICHIGAN CROP REPORT.

Wheat Has Not Been Damaged According to the Correspondents.

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 11.—There was very little precipitation in Michigan in December until the 12th of the month. The average depth of snow on the 15th was in the southern counties 1.54 inches, in the central 1.84 inches, and in the northern counties and upper peninsula from 9 to 12 inches. Soon after the 15th snow fell generally throughout the state, and on the 31st the average depth in the southern counties was 7.89 inches, and north of this section from 14 to 21 inches. The prevailing opinion of correspondents is that wheat has not been damaged.

In reply to the question, "Has wheat during January suffered injury from any cause?" 71 correspondents in the southern counties answer "Yes," and 373 "No." In the central counties 36 correspondents answer "Yes," and 115 "No," and in the northern counties 1 answers "Yes," and 73 "No."

The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed by farmers in January is 1,229,810, and in the six months, August-January, 10,255,864. The amount marketed in the six months, August-January, is more than two-fifths of the crop of 1897, and is 3,958,959 bushels more than reported marketed in the same months last year. At 78 elevators, stations and mills from which reports have been received there was no wheat marketed during January. Live stock throughout the state is in good condition.

## TROUBLES OF CO-EDUCATION.

Students "Go Up Against" the College Discipline and Suffer.

Detroit, Feb. 11.—Seventeen young men and women students of the Methodist college at Albion evaded the faculty one evening last week and went for a sleigh ride. They also so far forgot the college discipline as to dispense with chaperons. The punishment imposed by the faculty on each member of the party of offenders was the enforced memorizing of 1,000 extra lines of Greek and Latin, loss of all social privileges for thirty days, and the young men were ordered to hold any conversation with the young ladies during this period.

Young Hamlen, of this city, was one of the party. He next defied the edict of the faculty and called on the daughter of a professor to whom he has long been attentive. Next morning Hamlen was notified that he was expelled. He refuses to leave. He is a sophomore and a social, fraternal and athletic leader. If the order is not rescinded all the students implicated threaten to leave the college.

## LUMBER CARRIERS COMBINE.

Nearly the Whole Lake Tonnage Represented in a Meeting at Detroit.

Detroit, Feb. 16.—Nearly all the lumber vessel tonnage of the great lakes was represented in a meeting which began yesterday in the Hotel Normandie. Some sixty owners and agents of vessels engaged in that trade were present. Nearly all the lake cities were represented. The objects of the gathering are to form an association and fix minimum rates for carrying, and also to regulate, if deemed advisable, rates of loading and unloading lumber products.

Officers of the new association were elected as follows: President, A. W. Comstock, Detroit; vice president, Alvin Neal, Port Huron; secretary, A. M. Carpenter, Port Huron; treasurer, E. J. Reister, Tonawanda, N. Y. President Comstock was made chairman of the committee on organization.

## AN ISSUE OF VERACITY.

Wealthy Farmer and Woman with a Black Eye the Principals.

Charlotte, Mich., Feb. 15.—Frank Frever, the wealthiest farmer in Benton township, is under arrest for striking Mrs. Myrtle Devine in the face at a social gathering. Mrs. Devine is a married woman and prominent in church circles. She says when she refused to dance with Frever he struck her a number of times in the face, and she wears two black eyes to prove her story.

Frever tells a different story. He says Mrs. Devine's brother came to the party intoxicated and raised a disturbance. Mr. Rossmann, the man who gave the party, attempted to throw the drunken man out of the house and Frever assisted. Mrs. Devine entered the affray and received the blows accidentally.

## Bloody Murder at Lansing.

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 12.—Rodriguez C. Lauson, a somewhat dissolute Frenchman about 25 years of age, was found murdered in his room over a feed store. The walls of the room were splattered and the floor over which the murderer had dragged his victim was saturated with the latter's blood. The skull had been crushed with a hatchet or sharp piece of wood and the head was beaten almost to a pulp. The murdered man had exhibited a roll of bills not long

ago, but nothing was found on his person except an empty bloody pocketbook lying on the floor.

## Saved the Body from Dissection.

Niles, Mich., 15.—Twenty-five years ago J. J. King and Ezekiah King, brothers, who were reared in this vicinity, separated and the latter never heard from his brother again until a few weeks ago. The former last December died in the Berrien county poorhouse and no relative claiming his remains they were sent to the state university at Ann Arbor for dissecting purposes. Ezekiah King, who lives in Chicago, learned of the disposition of J. J. King's body through the columns of the papers and he communicated with the Ann Arbor authorities, with the result that he was just in time to save them from the surgeon's knife.

## Big Purchase of Pine Lands.

Menominee, Mich., Feb. 14.—News has been received here from Tacoma, Wash., that Sol Frost of this city, Henry Swart and L. W. Flannigan of Marinette, and C. G. Foster of Milwaukee, prominent lumber men, had arrived there and completed the purchase of 5,000 acres of pine lands at a cost of \$500,000. These lands are near the Oregon border. A company has been organized to carry on lumbering operations to be known as the Swart-Frost Sugar Pine company. Several other Menominee parties are interested in southern and western pine lands.

## Ann Arbor Anti-Tobacco Crusade.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 16.—The sole topic of conversation on the campus is the newly inaugurated war against cigarettes by the "co-eds" of the university. It is now understood that the petition is backed not alone by the sororities and co-eds generally, but also by the state and city anti-saloon leagues. The petition will ask that the regents forbid the students to use tobacco in any form while on the campus.

## Riveters at Bay City Stay Out.

Bay City, Mich., Feb. 16.—About 800 men gathered at Wheeler & Co.'s shipyards Monday morning expecting that nearly all the gang of striking riveters would return to work, but they were disappointed. The riveters say they will sign an agreement with the company as a union, but they refuse to sign any agreement as individuals.

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## Minister Angell to Resign.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 15.—Regent Roger W. Butterfield, of the State University of Michigan, last night received a letter from President James B. Angell, now ambassador to Turkey, stating that he would resign and be home in time to resume his duties as president of the university this fall.

## Ice Jam at Benton Harbor.

Benton Harbor, Mich., Feb. 14.—The ice in the St. Joseph river went out and when it reached the highway bridge formed a jam, which caused water to overflow the low land nearly to the business portion of the town. The bridge was badly damaged. When the jam broke ice piled up ten feet high.

## State Notes.

Mrs. George Wagner, daughter of wealthy residents of Vandalla, Mich., committed suicide while despondent.

John H. Rich has been nominated for collector of customs at Detroit, Mich., and George M. Christian marshal for the southern district of Iowa.

The report published to the effect that the Peninsula, Michigan and Detroit Stove companies, of Detroit, Mich., had formed a trust, taking in the St. Louis Stove and Range company, is strongly denied by those companies.

Peter Blazna, Emmanuel Naimo and Michael Sedla were killed in the Newport mine at Ironwood, Mich., by an explosion of giant powder.

Large peach growers in Van Buren county, Mich., say that the recent cold weather has not damaged the crop.

The lumber yard of Charles Merrill & Co. in Saginaw, Mich., was damaged \$5,000 by fire. Insured.

A canary bird 18 years old died at Berrien Springs, Mich., recently.

Michigan may play Wisconsin on the foot ball field this fall.

Frank Darling, who claims to be the son of a California millionaire, was arrested at Sturgis, Mich., for forging a farmer's name to an order for \$210.

## BIG VICTORY FOR CUBANS.

They Capture Thirty Packs of Ammunition and \$10,000.

New York, Feb. 16.—An official communication from General Maximo Gomez to Senor Estrada Palma, Cuban delegate in this country, was received here at the office of the junta, announcing a great victory of the patriots. The communication is dated Feb. 2 and it says that the engagement took place at Maya, Cuba, the Cubans being commanded by Armando Sanchez Agramonte. The Cubans captured thirty mules loaded with ammunition and \$10,000 in gold which the Spanish forces were carrying to Sancti Spiritus.

The importance of the capture is great and of practically the same benefit to the Cuban forces as the landing of an expedition from this country. General Gomez says in a letter addressed to Senor Nicholas Heredia, that the heroic sacrifices of the Cuban people will soon be rewarded by the total independence of the island.

"Don't advise me," the veteran says, "to guard my own life in this struggle; I cannot be less brave than my soldiers."

Against Owners of the Three Friends.  
New Orleans, Feb. 16.—The federal court of appeals, sitting here, decided the case of the government against the noted filibuster "Three Friends," which came before the court on appeal from the Florida circuit. The decision reversed that of the lower court and is therefore against the owners of the vessel.

## Old-Time Merchant Dead.

Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—B. S. Jenney, Jr., head of the wholesale grocery house of B. S. Jenney, Jr. & Co., is dead. Mr. Jenney was 82 years old and had been in the wholesale grocery trade nearly sixty years.

## DR. CRANE'S EPIGRAMS.

The following are some of the epigrams from a recent sermon by Dr. Frank Crane, of Trinity church, Chicago:

The church is not the bulwark of the truth, but the truth is the bulwark of the church.

The great institutions and wealth and material strength of Christianity are in no sense a source of the gospel's power, any more than fruit is the source of a tree's strength; the source of power is the inward vitality.

There is but one true world-view; it is a universe of impotent matter developing by contact with the source of life.

I believe in evolution and the immensity of God.

We grow in grace, but not into grace. All life is an unfolding.

Some plants die when they seed; so Judaism died when it bore Christianity, Romanism when it bore Protestantism, monarchy when it bore democracy, and when science produced Bacon it rendered what produced him useless.

There are no social problems—only stages of social growth.

A government is not the expression of the ideals, but of the practical condition of the people.

No government is worse than the people.

In a government the people may see their neglect and their weakness enthroned.

The church needs not more leaves but more sap.

God grows things; men make things. God's design is to produce the millennium, not by outward interference, but by planting the little story of Jesus in the heart of mankind.

With eternal life there is no greatness that cannot be attained by the lowest man.

Beethoven, Kant and all geniuses are but samples of what every one of us may be when we have heaven's unending time.

Great inventions are timed by social development. God never allowed steam to be discovered until Caesar and Hildebrand were out of the way. He will not uncover the secret of aerial navigation until the age of co-operation.

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Love forgets—many a home today is happy and full of light and hope because a great love not only forgave but forgot.

When one says he will forgive but not forget, that means he will forgive with his mouth but not with his heart.

One of the best things to us poor mortals about God is that he has promised to forget, to "remember no more our sins," to "blot them out."

Self-examination is a fraud; look away from yourself at good models if you wish to be better.

Two kinds of people enjoy self-examination, prigs and egotists; examine Christ, not yourself.

Never mourn over lack of advantages; successful men never had any; the gutters are full of those who had plenty.

Never mourn because you make mistakes; it is the people who make mistakes that lead the world, while the precise people who never make any mistakes keep books for them on a small salary.

A girl once said in a testimony meeting that she took great comfort in that passage of scripture which said: "Just grin and bear it"—and the scriptures would be none the worse were that passage in them.

The past is God's—do not grieve for it, but leave it to him—but the future is ours: what will we do with it?

## Governor's Island for a Park.

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Contagious Blood Poison has been appropriately called the curse of mankind. It is the one disease that physicians cannot cure; their mercurial and potash remedies only bottle up the poison in the system, to surely break forth in a more virulent form, resulting in a total wreck of the system.

Mr. Frank B. Martin, a prominent jeweler at 926 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C., says:

"I was for a long time under treatment of two of the best physicians of this city, for a severe case of blood poison, but my condition grew worse all the while, notwithstanding the fact that they charged me three hundred dollars. My mouth was filled with eating sores; my tongue was almost eaten away, so that for three months I was unable to taste any solid food. My hair was coming out rapidly, and I was in a horrible fix. I had tried various treatments, and was nearly discouraged, when a friend recommended S.S.S. After I had taken four bottles, I began to get better, and when I had finished eighteen bottles, I was cured sound and well, my skin was without a blemish, and I have had no return of the disease. S.S.S. saved me from a life of misery. S.S.S. (guaranteed purely vegetable) will cure any case of blood poison. Books on the disease and its treatment, mailed free by Swift Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga.

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